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CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING.

The Republican Central Committee of Trego county, Kansas, is hereby called to meet at the office of the **WESTERN KANSAS WORLD**, in Wa-Keeney, on Saturday, August 29, 1885, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of determining the method and time of placing a county ticket in the field.

The attendance of every member of the committee is urged.

W. S. TILTON, Chairman.

DR. H. J. FULLER has sold his drug-store, and established a skating rink in North Millbrook.

SIDNEY WILTON, a boy thief, has been sent from Norton county to the State Reform school.

SMITH COUNTY'S commissioners have offered a bounty of five cents on each rabbit killed on or after the first of next month.

It was heart disease which caused Thomas Mitchell to fall dead in Gaylord the other day. He lived ten miles north of that place.

We see by the *Record* that 3,000 thirty trees have been burned by accident on the timber claim of Mr. Pennel, west of Russell.

THE *Independent* notes the rapid decay of sod houses in Phillips county. They do not bear up well under these seasons of protracted rains.

THE death of a mule has been recorded at last. The *Ellsworth Reporter* tells that Benj. Shaffer lost a valuable mule last week by lightning.

KANSAS is said to contain about 1,500,000 sheep now as against about 100,000 in 1875. She is growing this way in nearly all proper directions.

We give it up this time. The land agent in Western Kansas cannot pour into the ears of enquirers an over-built story of our agricultural prosperity in 1885.

A NUMBER of mill dams have been washed away by the recent high water in the Solomon river. The *Herald* tells that the woollen mill dam at Gaylord was badly damaged.

By the *Stockton News* we see that Joseph Holmes, an old and respected citizen of Bow Creek township, Books county, was struck and killed by lightning two weeks ago last Thursday.

FRANK KELLY, son of John Kelly, of Norton, was drowned in Colorado a short time ago. He was foreman of the Stuart tie drive in the Poudre. His age was twenty-eight years. He left a wife.

THE Wa-Keeney *WORLD* mourns over its puny tax list. Just glance over ours once and be reconciled. [Millbrook Times.] Ugh! Ugh! Yours isn't long enough to pay for making out a bill against the county. We do feel a little better now, we believe!

THE free range talk of the Dodge *Cowboy* is a thing of the past, if we are to judge from recent numbers of that journal. To know how to surrender gracefully is one of the overwhelming beauties of this life, Colonel!

THE *Reporter* relates that a colored man by the name of John Jackson had his right hand so badly crushed in a threshing machine a short distance north of Ellsworth, on Tuesday of last week, as to necessitate its amputation.

SOME Leavenworth people are about to organize a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals. Such a society is a necessity in a Kansas town with a hundred and fifty saloons, to say nothing of its being about time for the *Times* to be choked off of Mayor Neely.

THE New York *Tribune* was opposed to the burial of General Grant in New York city, on the ground that the bulk of its people opposed him both in war and in peace. The *Tribune* should remember that Grant's change of base in the Fitz John Porter case changed the anti-Grant sentiment in New York city very materially. This, the *WORLD* makes much of, as a statement of fact, and not as a political criticism.

KANSAS WHEAT.

We have contended that the wheat crop all over Kansas was a dead failure. Other papers, that are constitutionally opposed to telling the truth, if it is unfavorable to Kansas, have insisted that the state would raise a good crop of wheat. Even that which was harvested was not worth the cutting. The same condition will hold good throughout Missouri and Nebraska; and "keep your eyes open" and see if you don't hear something similar from the great spring wheat states of the northwest. [Troy Chief.]

The *Chief* then publishes extracts from McPherson, Lyons, Salina and Junction City papers to bear it out in its assertion. The *Chief* is right. The wheat in Kansas this year is a dead failure, and lying about the matter won't increase the crop one bushel. [Leavenworth Times.]

The old pampered would-be deity of the Troy *Chief* simply don't know what he is talking about. We concede to him the element of aiming to be truthful in the matter; because, if he asserted months ago that the wheat crop was a failure, that made it so in his mind—whether subsequent developments gave the lie to the statement or not. The *Times* has reason to know that the wheat crop in Kansas is not a dead failure. The *WORLD* does not claim that the wheat average in western Kansas is large, but it has been told this summer of different crops in this county which averaged from ten to fifteen bushels to the acre. We deny that there is any dead failure in this, and also dare the *Times* to prove that this county is not in Kansas.

For the wheat crop of 1885 in this portion of the state, there is this much more to be said: It perhaps is worth more money now than the heavy crop of last year could command here at the same season!

AFRAID OF THE BLACKS.

Doctor Jenkins, of the Kirwin *Chief*, has read in an eastern magazine that if both races (the white and the negro) continue to increase in the same ratio to each other as they have increased in the past, the negro 100 years hence will be the dominant race; will number 128,000,000, while the whites will not exceed 100,000,000. The doctor ends his article with the startling declaration that possibly children are living to-day who before they die will have just cause to curse the hour when emancipation was first conceived. We hardly know how to speak of a contemporary who will write in this manner. The mildest interpretation which we can place on such language is that the utterer is a very good Democrat. To place any other construction on it is to suppose that the doctor's mind is giving way. On general principles, Dr. Jenkins is smart enough to know that freedom is the natural order of civilization in the United States, and that if the negroes shall even become more numerous than the whites in this country, the change will rest on certain natural laws. If fashion among the whites keeps on manufacturing wasp-waists among mothers, and the allurement of society wreck the home nursery, the Africans have the right to people the country with their own color. But now all the advantage is on the side of the whites. They can hold it if they will. If they want, some other people will. This is all.

THE ONLY GREAT FAIR THIS YEAR.

As will be seen by the following, from the Topeka *Commonwealth*, there is to be no state fair at that place this year; and consequently the Great Bismark Fair will have the whole field:

We are in receipt of the premium list of the Western National Fair association for its sixth annual exposition, which takes place September 7th to 12th. The list is exhaustive, good premiums being offered for almost everything that naturally will be shown. As there is to be no other state fair this year, the one at Bismarck will undoubtedly be the largest ever held in this state. The grounds at Bismarck are unsurpassed, east or west; the show will be large, and the people of the state will make a holiday of that week in September.

We hope that Trego county will be represented by a large attendance at the great exposition.

THE *Times* tells of a gambling game of base ball in Leavenworth on Sunday last. The members of the city government, that paper claims, witnessed the game, and supervised the gambling which was connected with it. The *Times* demands that the city government be hauled up and fined to the heaviest possible extent.

ALTHOUGH not so intended, the following remarks, from the *Stockton News*, are a sledgehammer argument in favor of stock farming. The point is that whenever crops yield profusely their prices go down so low as not to pay for the raising. On the other hand, this is the very time when stock men make their money the fastest. It then costs them but little to feed their stock. But to what the *News* says: "Roasting ears are worth ten cents a dozen in Stockton. In a short time corn will be worth only about ten cents a bushel. Lucky is the man who gets his crop on the roasting ear market."

THE China overland mail of July 2 says a calamitous flood, which began to work destruction June 19, devastated part of the province of Canton, causing the death of 10,000 people, engulfing whole villages, nearly ruining the rice and silk crops, destroying an immense amount of property and reducing a vast number of people to poverty and starvation. The flood was caused by the bursting of the embankment at Tamkong, fourteen miles from Canton city, which was rapidly followed by breaks at other places within eight miles of Canton, putting a large area of country under water, including Canton. Now, as a matter of earnest inquiry, are not those ten thousand souls better off to-day than they would have been had they taken their chances in coming to California to become American citizens?

COLLIER & LAYTON, down in North Topeka, are getting ravenous. They have purchased the *Times* of that town, and merged it with their *Mail*. This is the way we like to see the newspaper boys doing. There are at least twice as many newspapers in Kansas as the demands of business warrant. The fact that there are merchants, lawyers and others spending their time idly—perhaps viciously—without realizing more than a bare subsistence, constitutes no possible excuse for a community to try to keep two or three papers alive where there is room for just one. It is by such foolishness that poor papers are made, the community represented abroad in a false light, and quarrels between neighbors and neighboring factions kept at white heat. The North Topeka *Mail* certainly occupies a good field now.

THE Millbrook convention is said to have been one of the most harmonious gatherings of the kind on record. There was a great deal of hard work done for the different candidates but it was all done with the best of feelings and good humor, and when Mr. Pratt was finally nominated he received the unanimous and hearty endorsement of all present. [Kenneth Sentinel.] That is so. But there is a little joke about the unanimous business, which we will here relate. The feeling was so good that hand-shaking and speech making were carried on for some time after Pratt's nomination had been declared before anybody seemed to remember that his cause might be strengthened by making his nomination unanimous. Mr. Pratt had finished his speech when W. S. Tilton moved that his nomination be made unanimous. It was so made with a universal heartiness seldom equaled, and never surpassed.

GOVERNOR GLICK has scored a big point in securing the appointment of his late penitentiary warden, W. C. Jones, as United States marshal for the district of Kansas. The Glick faction of the Kansas Democracy probably is neither better nor worse than the Blair faction of the same (dis) order. Col. Jones, (who, by the way, was lieutenant colonel of the 19th Kansas cavalry, instead of the 18th, as the dispatches have it,) is out out and trimmed for a competent marshal. While he can not reasonably hope to bring to the office the high order of general fitness which has characterized his predecessor, Major Simpson, perhaps no other Kansas Democrat is better fitted than this same Jones for this position. The only objection which we have to Jones is his big-I-and-little-you style, which, as far as we are concerned, is simply unbearable. He has been likened in point of personal appearance to Senator Vest, of Missouri. There may be something in this comparison. And if Jones is as smart a man as Vest, the two could be boiled down together and cast into one man, without resulting in a prodigy such as to unbinge the civilization west of the Mississippi.

THE Beloit *Gazette* must have had mints of sweat—pardon the rhyme—when it began, in the outset of the heated term, to abuse Governor Martin. We judge so from the fact that it has worked exceedingly hard, and has been subjected to additional fretting by the few crumbs of comfort which it has been able to catch. The *Gazette* is a good paper. It may be, too, that Beloit ought to have been given the State Reformatory; but there is nothing in either this statement or this supposition to warrant the belief that Governor Martin connived at the location of this institution.

It seems now that an effort is being made to keep the legions—excuse us, the hordes of people—from the north from pouring down into North Millbrook. W. R. Hill and N. C. Terrill are said to be about to locate a town just across the Solomon from that place to intercept them. Great cities are seldom built without being menaced sorely. For a series of years, it looked like Kansas City would be kept down permanently by its now neighboring town of Leavenworth. Even London had her drawbacks for several seasons.

THE *Stockton News* observes that Prof. Leach has left there to assist in the management of a normal institute at Kingman, Kansas. It then goes on to say: "He will be absent about a month, when he will return to Stockton, and again assist in the management of the *News*, and also take charge of the principal department of our public school." Every school should possess at least one department of this character. We regret, however, to be compelled to record its absence from the bulk of the schools in America!

THE *Western School Journal*, published at Topeka, by ex-State Superintendent Speer, is just about peerless in its line. Mr. Speer, in addition to being an accomplished teacher, possesses that quality which so many of the profession lack—the power to state his theories within a reasonable compass. Mr. Speer has good soil in which to work. In the matter of energetic free school work, Kansas leads the van of the whole Union.

DAVID RATHBONE has done a sensible act by coming out over his signature, in the *Dem. Advocate* at Hays, in advocacy of the claims of L. K. Pratt for the judgeship. Mr. Rathbone, among other things, says: "We regard his unanimous nomination in the nature of a compliment to true merit, fairly and justly earned by a life of study and close attention to the business of his profession."

In relating about two men having a scrimmage in Kirwin the other day, the *Chief* says that Shurtz came out ahead, though he was the "smallest of the two." Doc, such grammar is likely to make Lindley Murray shove a foot through his grave covering to make some "pi" in the office of the "great religious daisy."

THIS sounds like WESTERN KANSAS *WORLD* talk, but it is original with the *Russell Record*: "A. T. Brooks is setting an example worthy of imitation in planting trees around each block in his addition. Tree planting should become a mania in this locality until groves are reared on every hand."

LEW HEADLEY, of the Gaylord *Herald*, now has another thing to fret him. Governor Martin appointed him justice of the peace the other day. Headley has a judicial reputation before him if he can word his legal decisions in as spicy phraseology as characterizes many of his newspaper items.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND stands by his order that the cattle men must get out of the Indian Territory. The president talks reasonably to the cattle men. While he recognizes the extent of their interests, he places above them those of the country. He may be rapid, but he is right.

ROOKS COUNTY, the *Record* claims, has 40,000 acres in corn, and the same paper says that nobody cares to hazard a guess on a yield of less than fifty bushels to the acre. Good enough—if half way true!

Geo. ZIMMERMAN's team of horses was drowned in the Solomon, at Gaylord, a few days ago, the *Herald* relates.

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